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LOK SABHA

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ENHANCEMENT OF MATERNITY BENEFITS
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any proposal to enhance the maternity benefits to all categories of women working in various sectors ;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the time by which it is likely to be implemented ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a)to(c) : A proposal to raise the Medical Bonus payable under the Maternity Benefit Act, 1961 from Rs. 250/- to Rs. 1000/- and to give powers to the Central Government to revise Medical Bonus from time to time subject to maximum of Rs. 20,000/- through an amendment of the Act is under process in this Ministry.